

FRS



News

"FRS-News" - under this name we provide you with the latest FRS-Holland news.

We aim to optimize

the information towards our listeners. Not only you but also we as a radio station benefit from this. We can supply you with info regarding our previous broadcast(s) and inform about future plans. The latter will certainly mean (at least: we hope) **more listeners** tune in to future broadcasts as you are informed ahead of the broadcast! This Newssheet enables us to tell you what's going on. The advantage is we *don't need to repeat the same info in each personal letter*. Everyone dropping us a line receives this general Newssheet for free and in addition you receive some **personal notes** as well providing you took the trouble to include some personal notes in your letter as well. In other words: we'd love some personal info, criticism, comments etc. rather than a pre-copied reception without personal info or comments on the broadcast.

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INTRODUCTION

Welcome along in the Spring 2005 FRS News edition. Many of you who haven't received the previous re-styled editions (May & November 2004) will hopefully like the new look! Perhaps a good moment for a potted history: this small newsletter was first published under the name **FRS Newsletter** in January 1993. After 14 editions, the name was changed to **FRS News**. That was in 1997. The FRS Newsletter was continued for subscribers only and its content changed from covering FRS-Holland to emphasizing on Free Radio News. Where the FRS Newsletter ended, FRS News continued informing the listening audience with news from the Free Radio Service Holland. In the mean time the FRS Newsletter has been discontinued. After 7 years, the final edition # 39/40 was published in December 2003. What is left is FRS News which

will certainly continue as it is a very important means of communication between FRS-Holland and you, the listener! Talking of communication or better: improving it... Since November 2004, we have been introducing two brandnew columns. Every new edition, we'll publish a collection of the letters/ E-mails which were received via our Herten "2702" maildrop or via our e-mail being <frs.holland@hccnet.nl>. We feel that's a good idea. Give us your opinion. So far response on the "new format" and new columns have been very encouraging. Thanks to all of you who sent in (positive) comments. In addition in each issue we will go back in time with a flashback to a particular month/year including one of our broadcasts, SW news etc. This item is also included in future editions of FRS Magazine presented by Peter Verbruggen. Any ideas which might benefit FRS News are more than welcome, you can contact us via POBox 2702 or of course the

easiest & fastest way: via E-mail. Don't hesitate...do it !!!

FRS-HOLLAND NEWS

Last time we started this column saying hello to both "old" & "new" friends of FRS-Holland. Well, this certainly applies to those who have dropped us a line for the 24th anniversary broadcast back in November 2004. Many *new listeners* were welcomed as well as a number of 1980s listeners who in some cases didn't write in for a very long period. A third group are those who are part of the "FRS Club": people who write in for nearly every broadcast. Thanks to all of you for your interest.

FRS Broadcasting Activities

Following a 6 months' silence FRS-Holland took to the air Sunday November 14th 09.00-12.30 UTC. It was our second 2004 transmission via the powerful Latvian outlet. The advantage of using 9290 is obvious: you are able to provide an excellent signal in all corners of Europe and in addition wide areas beyond. And so our slogan "From London to Berlin and Oslo to Munichthis is FRS-Holland playing 4 decades of music" can be replaced by "From New York to Amsterdam and Moscow to Toliiothis is FRS-Holland playing 4 decades of music". Four shows were aired: FRS Magazine, Off Beat, FRS Goes DX and the Frank Carson Show. No doubt it was an excellent signal that day. May 31st 2004 it was a complete surprise for many listeners to tune in to FRS on 9290. This time the promotion for the 24th anniversary broadcast began earlier. More people were informed ahead of the broadcast. From what we've heard from the listening audience, many were delighted to hear FRSH on 9290 guaranteeing superb reception. Even on small portable (and

FRS-Holland Jingle CD

Early 2000 we introduced the **FRS Jingle CD**. Eversince numerous CDs were sent to people all over Europe. We received very positive and enthusiastic response.. The **FRS Jingle CD** covers digitalized stuff covering almost 20 years of FRS jingling divided into eight sections. It starts with the early 80s and ends with the millennium set produced in 1999. 226 jingles for only € 13.50 / £ 9.00/ USD 15.00 . You can send the money cash to our maildrop: P.O.Box 2702, 6049 ZG in Herten, the Netherlands. A great asset to your jingle collection....the **FRS-Holland Jingle CD**. In case you are interested: we do offer a special Jingle CD info-sheet. Or order the info via Email. Quick and easy.

Brandnew FRS QSL Series

Since May 2004 FRS-Holland is offering it's listeners a brandnew and unique QSL-Series under the name "The FRS Studio Series". The station has carefully prepared a very unique series of different QSL-cards. Each QSL represents a different view of the main FRS-Holland recording studio. You can collect this complete FRS Studio Series consisting of 4 full colour photo QSLs by sending in reports for four consecutive trms. This excellent series is a collector's item to any SW Free Radio enthusiast! QSL #4 was issued for the 24th Birthday transmission back in November. If you haven't got the ones already issued, don't worry! You will receive #1,2 or 3. Photo-QSLs are only available for official FRS broadcasts. After the May 1st 2005 broadcast a new series will be introduced!

often not very sensitive) transistor radios, the signal was booming in ! Reports were received from a total of 17 countries including Belgium, France, Spain, Italy, Austria, Czech Republic, The Netherlands, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Latvia, Germany, England, USA, Japan, Australia and Finland.

This is a record number of different countries for one transmission. Some letters will be handled elsewhere in this FRS News edition. All in all we were (are) very happy about FRS' second 9290 broadcast !!

FRS-Holland tries to stick to a programme formula. It's based on "*a balance between music and information*". It might be interesting to explain how we implement this philosophy into our shows? We do play a mix of 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s and 2000-2005 music. Each show contains at least one or two programme items, for instance playing extracts from a landbased Free Radio station from the past. New since November is that extra attention is given to a particular month/ year from the past. Last

November we featured November 1983. In the Breakfast Show *FRS Magazine* Peter V. features the highlights of that month. Reading out political, cultural but also FR news (offshore & SW scene) from those days make an important ingredient of the

Positive comments about FRS' Program Formula

show. In addition radio extracts are being played. Last November extracts from Radio Caroline (Andy Archer Nov. 1983) and a few SW pirates were to be heard. And that's not all: in most of the FRS pxs we also feature FRSH extracts. Other items are "The Phrase that Pays". Each time a number of listeners' names are mentioned on air. If you hear your name, then let us know including details (time and date). You can win yourself a FRS studio-copy. Response on the Nov. 1983 flashback was very good. It appears that many listeners had some good memories to Nov. 1983, some of them started tuning in to SW that year ! And yes, in some cases FRSH was the first Free Radio station they listened to! Facts they won't easily forget.....

No doubt we will continue with this programme format. Just tune in May 1st and you will hear the facts from M... 198..... Well, make a guess. So all in all we are very happy with the November response.

FRS on air May 2005

Although we originally intended to go on air sometime in January or February, FRS only returns in May 2005. We have to celebrate a little party: it'll be FRS-Holland's 150th official broadcast on SW since our start back in August 1980 !! We will serve our listenership with the px formula we also used in November. As we were flattered with the many letters for that broadcast, we have made the decision to include two 15 minute Mailbag shows. Part Two is presented by Mark Jones handling German mail while Peter V. is doing the rest of the mail in part One. Other shows include FRS Magazine, Off Beat, FRS Goes DX including a special feature on Internet radio and the FRS Golden Show with Paul Graham. Paul hasn't been heard for a while but is back. Frank Carson was unable to produce a show but he has promised he will be back next broadcast.

Why using the 9290 facility ?

First of all 9290 guarantees good reception and most important: it will do justice to the lengthy preparations for the pxs. What is meant is that for instance last year- November 2003- when we were celebrating our 23rd birthday, we had to deal with poor reception propagation for most of the broadcast. Certainly annoying and disappointing knowing how much work and money was invested to make it a successful event. Although we used "enough power" this was not

spreading its wings over brandnew areas reaching new and a greater number listeners producing *pxs worth while to listen to*. Reading out letters, including Free Radio news, including programme items. A stations with a *format*. Things would be different if we were able to broadcast more often. But let's face reality: that is not the case. Unlike some colleagues, we cannot switch on a tx whenever we'd like to. And there's another point. One of FRS-Holland's jingles says: "*SW radio is two-way traffic*". When less and less listeners take the trouble to write, it will become *one-way traffic*. Dedicated the audience.

Do you have an E-mail address? Make sure to send us yours! You will be assured of receiving important updates/ the latest news on FRS-Holland.

9290 enables us to reach new audiences

sufficient to deal with the poor propagation that Sunday. Nowadays very few SW stations are putting out a well-considered programme formula, no doubt FRS-Holland is one of them. And looking at the number of broadcasts FRS carries out, it is important that our signal gets out very well. As simple as that...we want to spread our message among as many listeners as possible. And by using 9290, this aim is certainly achieved. And not only this....we are reaching new and far greater audiences, new listeners. FRS is very dedicated

response should be very encouraging!! And the good old listenership will be reached in the best-ever quality!! This does not mean that we won't use our own transmitting equipment anymore. But it certainly is a challenging and hopefully successful way of trying something new and different. One final remark: the situation in the Netherlands when carrying out longer broadcasts still is quite risky.

May 1989: Radio News

Photo-QSLs will only be issued for official FRS broadcasts and to those sending in a report to our Herten maildrop. Reception reports via the Internet will be verified with an electronic version of our QSL. There has been some confusion with regard to the FRS Studios Series' QSLs number 1 and 3. In some cases QSL #1s description is to be read on QSL #3 and vice versa. To avoid further confusion, here's a brief description of the QSL series: #1 is a close shot of the front-centre part of the studio incl. the big Studio Projects microphone; #2 shows the right-front centre part incl. part of the the mixing desk; #3 shows the complete mixing desk plus twin CD players; on #4 the patch bay, amplifier, equalizer and twin CD players.

Mailbox 2702

By Peter Verbruggen

First of all thanks to everyone taking the trouble to drop us a line following our 24th anniversary broadcast on Sunday November 14th. H.Ahlheim from Dresden, Germany writes: "I have listened to FRSH since 1986. My first QSL was for the 21st December broadcast on 6205." Klaus Führlich from the former GDR was already tuning in to FRS in the 1980s. "It was nice to hear you in such quality." Oscar Schmitt lives in the northern part of Germany in Hamburg. He's a regular writer. "What a powerful sound. It's just great to listen here in the cold north of German listening to very enjoyable music and entertaining pxs. I like the FRS Studio Series." Another loyal German listener is Felix Schäfer who's letters always are very informative. He writes: "Signal quality was outstanding. This time I particularly enjoyed the DX Show as many up-to-date topics were presented. FRS News is done in a professional way and helps to keep the "family" together. Thanks a lot. I observe there are large numbers of SW stations but only few are putting out real programmes. I guess that's because many stations are only one-man operations. That was quite different in the 90s. Fact is I'm happy with FRS' output, your pxs are always worth listening." Thank you Felix. It is indeed a pity that so few stations are bothering about producing decent shows. When remembering the likes of ABC Europe, WMR, Radio Gemini, ABC England, Radio Valentine, Atlanta Radio, Radio Mercury etc. it is a fact that today's scene is rather poor. Fritz-Walter Adam is a long time FRS listener. He used to live in the GDR. "Eure Station hat mich schon seit vielen Jahren bei meinem DX-Hobby begleitet. Hoffentlich bleibt es auch weiter so." Well Fritz-Walter, we still plan to continue on SW. As long as the listeners respond and we enjoy making programmes, FRSH will be on your dial. "It was a pleasure to listen to FRS near Munich this morning. Unfortunately I had to work, so I had no time to note

details for a report. But the background music from FRS helped me to do my work. Very good idea to use the 9290 facility." Thank you Rudolf Sonntag in Munich. We'd like to thank a number of colleague stations sending us greetings: Radio Waves Int. from France, Britain Radio Int. from the UK (celebrating their 25th birthday in June), Radio Fox 48 from Norway, JRR in Ireland and Radio Marabunta f8 and Radio Cochiguaz both from South America. Werner Schaueremann from south west Germany writes: "Einziges Highlight an diesem Wochenende war eigentlich nur das 31/2 stündige Geburtstagsending des FRSH. Das Team um Peter Verbruggen fuhr die Show allässlich 24 Jahre

FRSH im bewährten und bekannten Muster und dürfte mit diesem Thema wieder zahlreiche Zuhörer an sich gebunden haben. Herzlichen Glückwunsch FRSH !!!" From Germany to Denmark: "Great Show. Great reception. Best 73s, Stig." Ofcourse we do also have listeners in The Netherlands...for instance Hans de Swan: "How enjoyable to hear FRS so loud and clear. FRS was the first-ever SW FR station on my dial. I remember your tiny 10W tx produced a very good signal on 7315. Those were the 80s. I wish you good luck." What is this? A listener who tuned in for the first time since more than 10 years!! What a shame... "From 1986 to 1990 I was listener of FRS-Holland." Those are the words from Rainer Ganske in Wilhelmshafen. Great to have you back as a listener Rainer and thanks for the mps recording you sent us. We will certainly add that to our sound archive. We'll take an airplane and we'll be back in 24 hours.... "My name is John Wright from Sydney, Australia. I have just heard the broadcast on 9290 at a poor level at 10.23 to 10.24 UTC. I also heard a first for Australia on 6275 back in 1996....the first time your station had been reporting from Australia. I still have this QSL and still have my Icom R71A from that period. Best wishes from John Wright." Back to Europe to a familiar name at a rather unusual place. "Has it really been 24 years already? 1980 feels just like the other week.... Well, nice to hear that you

are still around and doing fine. Reception is excellent on 9290 here far above the Polar Circle. About -10 degrees Celsius and 10 to 15 cm snow on the ground. 9290 is coming in with a perfectly clear S 7-9 signal and there is little to no interference. I am here in the frozen north on a DX-expedition, all on my own. Your entire programme is being recorded on a MiniDisc as I write this. All the best for the next 24 years too." These words come from Peter Scherwat at a temporary QTH Parkalompolo Arctic Sweden. Incredible to know someone is tuning in to us while doing a DX-

expedition... A most remarkable letter Peter, thank you. Let's stay in Sweden and travel to a place called Halmstad, the home town of Christer Brunström. "It really was quite exciting to hear your station in Sweden. I have been interested in international radio since I was a young boy. I do monthly DX reports on Radio Vatican and radio station HCJB Quiti in Ecuador. I am a 56 year teacher and I enjoyed listening to your different pxs while doing a number of Sunday morning household chores like peeling potatoes." Dear Christer, thanks for promoting our trms over other stations. Hope you will keep on doing this, thanks a lot! It's always a thrill to welcome back listeners from years ago. David Williams from Southampton is still very interested in SW FR radio. Even though he hasn't written in for a while. He writes he already heard Radio Caroline way back in 1968! He ends his letter with the slogan "Long Live FRS-Holland." We say: Long Live David. "Those were the days...thank you for a nice flashback to November 1983. The Nov. 14th FRSH trm was a well-balanced mixture of nostalgia and up-to-date music and information. The shows deserved the excellent quality. Would you ever have believed that one day FRSH would be booming in via a 100 kW tx usually carrying Radio Vilnius? writes Björn Quäck from Dortmund. Our answer: no! But: Dreaming about 100 kW: Yes.... Perhaps next time your letter will be featured within Mailbox 2702. Please add some personal comments,,,that will certainly help.

We are very proud to have been receiving our first-ever reports from Japan. The time of the day made it impossible to be heard for a long period in the land of the rising sun. Harumasa Yokoi lives in Nagaya and reports reception was very poor. "My favourite hobby is listening to overseas radio stations, and I use the results in my Japanese homepage. I have added a mini CD-R. I used a NRD-525 receiver." Well dear Harumasa, we are very happy you logged us and took the trouble to write an interesting letter. Also txs for the mini CD-R! Let's stay in Japan and travel to Arida-Gun, Wakayama. "I tuned in to your station at 12.01 UTC but the signal was very weak at that time. It became gradually stronger and I could hear much more details at 12.15. Best signal was noted at about 13.00. Eventually at 13.30 UTC the signal faded out. This is the first time I hear the name FRS-Holland. I am eagerly awaiting your next broadcast. Wakayama is a 150 km south from Osaka City which is Japans second largest city. The city is mountainous and very sunny and it is famous for the sweet mandarin oranges." We are very please with your letter Mr. Masavuki Shibano. A very informative and personal letter. Back to Europe, more precisely: Great-Britain. Wise words from Nick Sharpe: "The 9290 adventure is proving to be an ideal choice for FRS-Holland and as one of your loyal listeners I am highly delighted. My interest bin Free Radio has dropped considerably this year, much to do with the poor propagation on 48 metres but also due to the lack of any proper station these days. All the hours of work in the production studio guarantee a certain number of listeners. I love the new style of FRS News. Hope you will be running a website soon. BTW, Joop ter Zee's jingle < Winter, Spring, Summer or Fall, FRS beats them all > is one of the best jingles I have ever heard, a pure classic one." What can we say Nick? Very encouraging remarks although we share your view about the lack of stations with serious programmes. That's a very bad development going on for already quite a while. Congratulations on the 24th anniversary of FRS-Holland. I wish all of you successful broadcasts and a very good listners' response. I was pleased to meet you after so many years in Amsterdam back in Oc. 2004. "These words are coming from good old (but not too old) Christian Bergmann. Christian used to live in Elstertrebnitz and nowadays Borna is his hometown. The FRS person he met is Peter V. After so long, we were very happy to hear from you Christian. Hope this is a good start for more letters in the near future. In edition 29 we will be featuring more of your mail...till then it's goodbye.

FACT FILE *Flashing back to May 1989*

Date: May 21st 1989 Broadcast
89. Time: 08.52- 13.34 UTC

The programme schedule was (in UTC):

08.54	Opening
09.02	FRS Magazine -Peter V.
09.45	FRS Gold- Joop ter Zee
10.15	FRS Goes DX- Peter V.
11.00	Mark Stafford Show
11.45	I.L.L.S.- Peter & Gerd
12.15	Sounds Alternative- Joop ter Zee
13.00	German Service- Danny Kay *
13.45	Close Down.
*	Guest deejay: Conny Ferrin.

More info: The broadcast took place on 7310 kHz instead of 7315. 7315 suffered interference from utlity and the BBC World Service on 7325 (splattering). Somewhat weird propagation that day. Loud and clear signal. Letters were received from the Netherlands, France, West-Germany, GDR, UK etc. were presented in the Int. Listeners' Letters Show (Peter V. & Gerd).

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FRS May 21st 1989 compilation
a 35 minute compilation in good quality on CD, cassette or MD from our May 1989 broadcast (for more info see Fact File). Price: 5 Euro.

Laser 558/Hot Hits

28-02-1987 14.19-15.04 Brandy Lee & John Rock 'n' Roll Anthony (45 min.) and Laser 558 30-05-1984 07.13-08. 00 Rick Harris (46 min.). C90 for 5 euro.

Radio Mi Amigo

01-03-1975 14:00-15:30 Top 40 Peter van Dam (90 min.). C90 for 5 euro.

RNI

28-02-1970 17.55-19.30 Roger Day & Horst Reiner (90 min.). C90 for 5 euro.

Radio Seagull

09-10-1973 Beatles special with Bob Noakes (31 min.) and 02-02-1974 20.00-20.54 Specials Schools - Andy Archer (54 min.). C90 for 5 euro

FRS SALES PRODUCTIONS...

A NAME TO REMEMBER !!!!

FRSH's 25th Birthday October-November 2005

It's coming nearer and nearer...the FRS-Holland 25th Birthday. No details yet but it's for sure that we will celebrate this milestone in the station's history sometime in the October/ November 2005 period. We invite YOU to participate. How?

1. Send your **personal FRS memories** to our mailbox. There're a few options:

☐ Tape it on a cassette/ MiniDisc or burn it on a CD-R (as a .wav or .mp3 file) (1) * ;

☐ Send it as a .wav or .mp3 file to our E-mail address (2) * ;

☐ If none of the aforementioned possibilities can be accomplished, then there's a third possibility: put your memories on a sheet of paper and we will read them out on air (1)

1: FRS-Holland, P.O.Box 2702, 6049 ZG Herten, the Netherlands.

2: <frs.holland@hccnet.nl>

* Listeners should only record a dry message, no backing music bed !!

Each listener participating, will receive a surprise later this year ! Simply congratulate FRSH with its 25th birthday is of course also an option !!

2. Apart from your memories, we are looking for **catchy one-liners**. What does FRS-Holland mean to you ? Let us hear your very own thought(s) and do it in **only one sentence** !! Same options as mentioned above. A recorded message is the most personal way in which you can participate!

Deadline is **September 15th 2005** but better is to do it right now !!! In this way we will get more time for preparations...

Offshore News

Following a two day silence, the txs aboard the Ross Revenge are re-activated May 4th 1989. Sixteen years ago Radio Caroline was on 558, the Dutch Radio 819 on 819 and World Mission Radio on SW 6215 kHz. In the evening hours there was a caroline rock service on 819 when dutch radio 819 was off air. That month several off air periods were noted. The extremely favourable weather conditions enabled Dutch aerial riggers-under leadership of former Monique boss Fred Bolland- to carry out substantial work on a brandnew antenna system. The front mast was levelled up to 140 foot. Today in 1989 work started on the rear mast. Output on 558 was a mere 2 kW whilst 20 kW was used on 819. It was planned to up the 558 power from two to five kW. New Caroline presenters noted that month were female Cherry Marshall, Arthur Burton, Philip John, Christopher England and Ian Palmer. With all the new jocks and none of the old crew leaving, no less than 11 presenters were responsible for the 558 output. Remember some earlier periods when Dutch deejays had to present pxs on Caroline because of a shortage of British presenters. Early May it was announced that Caroline px-director Steve Conway was about to leave the station for good. Dutch Radio 819, successor of Radio Monique, broadcasted from 05.00- 19.00 CEST. Approx. half of the shows were taped in landstudios within The Netherlands. Even the daily Breakfast Show was taped, only in the weekend it was presented live. During weekdays the hours between 12.30-19.00 were live from the Ross. In May 1989 the Communicator was bought by a Dutchman. A few weeks earlier the ship was towed from Mistley near Harwich to a new position some 30 miles south-east of the Ross Revenge off the French-Belgian coast not too far from Dunkirk. Several men were aboard to acrry out maintenance. Rumours were circling about the ship being towed to a harbour in Portugal. There the ship would be prepared for a new sea adventure housing a Dutch station. Not a new one: the owners of radio 819 had decided to leave the Ross Revenge moving to the Communicator. At the same moment work was carried out on a rather mysterious ship: the MV Nannell. The large ship was berthed in Northern Spain and was about to leave, heading for the Belgian coast. Famous former Veronica engineer José van Groningen carried out essential maintenance on the ship's 50 kW transmitter. Remember the MV sarah, home of RNYI ? May 1989 the shipupped anchor heading for Boston.

The SW Scene

Radio Gemini, one of the SW FR pioneers, Radio Chaos - anew German station, Radio East Coast Holland, the Voice of The Netherlands. May 7th saw Radio East Coast Holland testing on 7360 & 7490. Early May Britain Radio Int. re-commenced regular trms on 6230 kHz every 2nd & 4th Sun. Presenters included Roger Davis, Jane & Adrian Cooke. May 1989 BRI was carrying out an extra Bank Holiday trm. Also active was Wonderful Free Radio London. The station was heard on 6275, 7385 and 11170 kHz May 7th & 14th. More new stations from Germany were Radio Vanessa & Mandarine. UK station Underground Sound was using the out-of-band freq 6870 kHz. Radio Stella from Scotland was regularly to be heard on 41 mb freqs incl. 7315 and 7320. Irish Radio Dublin had plans to return on SW 6910. And that happened on Tuesday May 30th. And who remembers Dutch station Radio Tower which was heard testing on 15642 & 17422 in May 1989. The UK station Radio Orion was heard with weekly trms on 6298. Another regular British station was Radio East Coast Commercial broadcasting on 6815 and 11515. Italian Radio Europe was active on 7295 kHz and a new Italian station Radio Italia Int. was noted on 7140. And Belgian station Brigitte was active on 6312, 6550 and 7481. Dutch Radio Tonair was the champion of test trms. Other names include Dutch Supercan on 7315, Radio California, Radio CLCG, Radio Black Power, Radio Titanic Int., Spectrum Leisure Communication, German Radio 101, UK-based Freesound Radio & Radio Marabu, still active these days on 9290. British Falcon Radio was using 6840 kHz in May 1989.

UK Top 15

1 Kylie Minogue Hand On Your Heart 2 Gerry Marsden, Paul McCartney, Holly Johnson & The Christians Ferry Cross The Mersey 3 Bangles Eternal Flame 4 Natalie Cole Miss You Like Crazy 5 Queen I Want It All 6 London Boys Requiem 7 Edelweiss Bring Me Edelweiss 8 Midnight Oil Beds are Burning 9 Chaka Khan I'm Every Woman 10 Transvision Vamp Baby I Don't Care 11 Holly Johnson Americanos 12 Beatmasters With Merlin Who's In The House? 13 Roxette The Look 14 Simply Red If You Don't Know Me By Now 15 Debbie Gibson Electric Youth.

FRS-Holland, not just station but a tradition"